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David Moore
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Dear Mr Moore:

Re: 5M Mine Incorporated Silver Reef Mine, M 053/002 Washington County, Utah

I am responding to your letter of October 29, 1992, which voiced your concern regarding possible contamination of ground and surface waters resulting from activities conducted on the above-referenced mine site.

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining shares your water quality concerns. We believe that many of these concerns may be alleviated by reclamation of the surface disturbances caused by the 5M Mine, and are in the process of preparing a plan that will address this goal.

As part of our pre-reclamation inventory, I anticipate sampling your water well and irrigation ditch (assuming there are flows in the ditch). The Division will be contacting you prior to sampling, and would appreciate any assistance or guidance you might offer with regard to access for sampling.

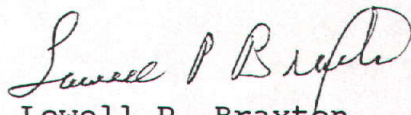
To aid our reclamation effort at the 5M site, I would appreciate a copy of the driller's log of the water well and copies of any analyses of water samples taken from both the well and the irrigation ditch.

By copy of this letter, I am notifying EPA of your interest in participating in a future EPA site inspection, should one be conducted.

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Feel free to call me or Wayne Hedberg if you would like to discuss the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining's reclamation plans for the 5M site.

Sincerely,



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